

## TUMULTY ALSO EDITOR AND DRAMATIC CRITIC

Blue Pencils White House Articles  
and O. K.'s Shows for  
President.

An interesting account of how Joseph Tumulty, secretary to the President, has been called upon to play the part of dramatic critic and editor in addition to his other manifold duties was told in a recent issue of Leslie's Weekly by its Washington correspondent, Oswald F. Schutte.

The story was as follows:  
"Probably no man in official life in Washington is entrusted with such varied cares and responsibilities as is the secretary to the President. His work ramifies into practically every department of the government. It is through him that all government business reaches the Chief Executive and through him in turn that most of it goes back to the outside world. In a peculiar way he is the eyes and ears and the hands of the President. But Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to President Wilson, has brought into his work duties even beyond these heavy tasks. He figures on the White House staff both as editor and dramatic critic. Mr. Tumulty's editorial activities have taken the shape of blue-penciling articles written to reveal to an anxious world the innermost secrets of the details of White House machinery.

Blue Pencils an Article.  
"Not long ago a feminine writer of more than less note essayed to lay bare the great mysteries of the White House kitchen. Now, clearly, it would not have done to let such momentous news go uncensored to the world. There was peril, for instance, of offending the White House cook, and any householder can tell what a grievous danger that would be. So Mr. Tumulty was appealed to, and with scrupulous smile he blue-penciled lines here and paragraphs there and fitted in some neat phrase elsewhere until this momentous epic could be published without endangering the White House peace or lessening its prestige. Mr. Tumulty's activities as dramatic critic have laid in a different channel. President Wilson is a great lover of the theater. After a hard and busy day he enjoys an evening at the play. In these days of cabaret dramas a President should be careful to what theaters he goes. So President Wilson has solved this problem by letting Mr. Tumulty go first, and if the smiling secretary approves, the President and his family can go without hesitation."

### YONKERS MEN MOW LAWNS.

Golf Players Stop to Pick Buttercups  
Along Course.

NEW YORK, December 26.—New York business men who live in Yonkers took advantage of the Christmas holiday to mow their lawns. The grass has been thriving owing to the spring weather.

Players on the golf course at Yonkers had to keep moving to keep warm yesterday, but they played on greens which had been mowed only a few days ago, and those who were fond of flowers stopped now and then to pick a buttercup.

Farmers in the vicinity of New York are saving on their usual bills for winter fodder, for with the spring weather and the long grass the animals can pick up a living out of doors.

The safe in Creighton's millinery store, Richmond, Va., was entered by robbers Monday night and \$500 in cash stolen.



Oh, dolly, tell me why you fell  
From off your chair this way,  
An' broke your pretty head so soon—  
Right after Christmas Day!

I waited for you, oh so long!  
I guess it was a year.  
An' was afraid that Santa Claus  
Would never bring you here.

An' dolly, you were all he left.  
An' now you're broke sport!  
I guess the fall that broke your head  
Has also broke my heart.

Cause next year is a long way off—  
It seems so anyway—  
An' maybe Santa will forget  
I'm here next Christmas Day.

So I'll just do the best I can  
To mend you—don't you cry!  
Cause I will love you just as much,  
Though you have lost one eye!

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### PRAISES DR. BERKOWITZ.

Simon Wolf Presides at Jewish Chautauqua Society Session.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., December 26.—Men and women prominent in Jewish educational activities throughout the country were present at the opening session of the twentieth annual assembly of the Jewish Chautauqua Society of America here last night.

Simon Wolf of Washington, D. C., presided, and complimented Dr. Henry Berkowitz of this city, who founded the or-

ganization a score of years ago, and is still its chancellor. Perry Frankel, the president, read his annual message outlining the work accomplished during the past year. A letter from President Wilson expressing his regret at his inability to be present was read.

### Ex-Representative G. J. Smith Dead.

KINGSTON, N. Y., December 25.—Word has been received here that former Representative George J. Smith died Wednesday night at Atlantic City, where he had gone for his health. He was about fifty-five years old. Mr. Smith accumu-

lated a fortune in the manufacture of cigars. He formerly was treasurer of the republican state committee, and in 1903 he represented the twenty-fourth district in Congress.

### Will Read Papers on Chemistry.

A meeting of the George Washington University Chemical Society is scheduled for January 14, at which Peter Donk will read a paper on "The Earning Power of Chemistry" and H. W. Thompson will read one on "The Significance of the Biochemical Reactions of Milk."

## ROCKVILLE AND COUNTY NEWS ITEMS AND NOTES

Mrs. Herbert Dorsey Waters of Germantown Sues for Divorce.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

ROCKVILLE, Md., December 26, 1913. Herbert Dorsey Waters of Germantown, this county, is the defendant in a suit instituted in the circuit court here by Mrs. Frances Walker Waters for a limited divorce on the ground of cruelty and non-support. Since last spring Mrs. Waters has been making her home with her brother in Charlottesville, Va.

The bill sets forth that the couple were married in Baltimore June 5, 1903, at which time the plaintiff lived at Charlottesville, Va., and the defendant was a law student at the University of Virginia. About a year thereafter they took up their residence at Germantown, this county, where they lived together until May, 1912.

Mrs. Waters also seeks the guardianship and custody of the couple's three children—Herbert Dorsey Waters, Mary Valeria Waters and Horace Lindsay Waters, aged ten, five and three years, respectively—and asks for counsel fees and an allowance for maintenance during the pendency of the suit.

### Hunts for Negro Assailant.

Sheriff Peyton Whalen spent the greater part of Wednesday night searching the upper section of the county for William Gray, a young negro, who is charged with assault upon Joshua Musgrove, a young white man of Damascus. It is represented that because Musgrove took Gray to task for using improper language in the presence of women at a store in Damascus Wednesday evening, the negro attacked him, fracturing one of his jaws and otherwise seriously injuring him. Gray immediately disappeared and Sheriff Whalen has not located him.

Richard A. Rice of Sideburn, Va., and Miss Annie Elizabeth Duetsmann of Arlington, Va., were married in Rockville Wednesday afternoon by Rev. Samuel R. White of the Baptist Church, and the same afternoon Rev. Frank M. Richardson, pastor of the Southern Methodist Church, officiated at the marriage of James Madison Billingsley of Port Con-

### Washington News.

There is perhaps no better way to keep out-of-town friends informed as to Washington news than to mail to them from time to time a copy of the Star after you have finished with it, sometimes marking an article of special interest.

The out-of-town postage of today's Star is 2 cents.

Better yet you might send some one out-of-town a subscription to receive The Evening Star every day at the rate of 40 cents a month, or The Evening and Sunday Star at 50 cents a month.

way, Va., and Miss Carrie Elizabeth Sullivan of Shenandoah, Va.

### Passes Bar Examination.

Robert L. Warfield, son of Dr. Robert C. Warfield of this place, was one of those who recently passed the examination of the Maryland State Bar Association. He will practice in Rockville. S. C. Kendall of Washington will speak on "Victory Over the Grave" in Seco Hall, here, next Sunday evening. It will be the third of a series of lectures being given here in an effort to arouse a more general interest in individual study of the Bible.

### Forsakes Society for Church.

NEW YORK, December 26.—The latest addition to the ranks of society women to enter religious life is Miss Rosalia Dahlgren, granddaughter of the late Rear Admiral Dahlgren, U. S. N. Miss Dahlgren always has been interested in the work of the deaconesses of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and soon will enter, it is announced, the deaconess' home in New York.

In the local option election held at Clifton Forge, Va., Tuesday, the anti-saloon forces won by a majority of forty-nine.

### GOVERNMENT SEEKING HELP.

Civil Service Examinations to Be Held This Month and Next.

Any one who knows all about rocks and stones, who can tell their correct names, as well as determine their suitability for structural purposes, is eligible for the position of laboratory assistant in petrography in the bureau of standards, a position paying \$1,200 a year. An examination for the position will be held by the civil service commission January 21 and 22. Also on these days examinations will be held to fill the position of aid in the same bureau, and for logger at the San Juan Indian School, New Mexico.

February 2 there will be an examination to obtain a technical assistant in pharmacology in the hygienic laboratory of the public health service, at \$2,000 a year. An examination to fill the position of topographic aid in the geological survey, at from \$40 to \$75 a month, will be held February 4. Also in the geological survey there is a vacancy in the position of junior topographer, at from \$720 to \$1,200 a year. An examination to fill this position will be held February 6 and 8.

### SWISS FLIER CROSSES ALPS.

Unable to See Way Several Hours Owing to Heavy Fog.

BERNE, Switzerland, December 26.—Oscar Bider, a Swiss aviator, made a successful flight across the Alps yesterday, though for several hours he was unable to see his way because of the heavy fog. The aviator arrived here at 2:15 o'clock in the afternoon, after a journey from Buc, from which place he started at 9 a.m. Bider said that after leaving the French aerodrome he was forced to maintain an altitude of 8,500 feet almost constantly to avoid the fog. He passed over the Jura, the chain of mountains separating France from Switzerland, without being able to see any landmarks, but recovered his bearings on sighting the Jungfrau, about half an hour before he reached Berne.

### Fritzi Scheff Weds Third Time.

NEW YORK, December 26.—Fritzi Scheff, light opera singer, was married Wednesday at New Rochelle to George Anderson, her leading man and manager, according to a published announcement here yesterday. The singer has been married twice previously, each time obtaining a divorce.

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